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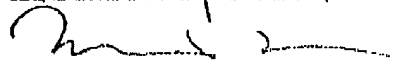
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Sir:

In response to the Office Communication dated December 23, 2005, please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments follow the amendment sections of this paper.

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